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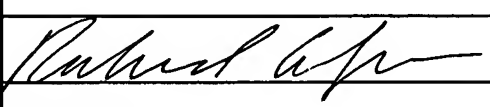
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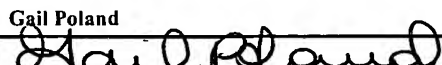
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1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Filing Date: March 16, 2004 )  
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Applicant(s): Michael J. Olesko et al. )  
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Group Art Unit: 3616 )  
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Title: Stamped Airbag Retention Members )  
And Method Of Airbag Assembly )  
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Attorney Docket: 45039-0028 )

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner For Patents  
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 are submitted for consideration by the Examiner in the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The full consideration of the references in their entirety by the Examiner is respectfully requested and encouraged. Also, it is respectfully requested that the references be entered into the record of the present application and that the Examiner place his or her initials in the appropriate area on the enclosed Form PTO-1449, thereby indicating the Examiner's consideration of each of the references.

The submission of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449 is for the purpose of providing a complete record and is not a concession that the references listed thereon are prior art to the invention claimed in the patent application.

Further, the submission of the references is not to be taken as a concession that any reference represents art that is relevant or analogous to the claimed invention. Accordingly, the right to argue that any reference is not properly within the scope of prior art relevant to an examination of the claims in the above-identified application is also expressly reserved.

The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed:

- ☒ (a) within three months of the filing date of the patent application, (b) within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 of the international application, or (c) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.
- ☐ **after** (a), (b), or (c) above, but before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution of the application, and is accompanied by one of:
- ☐ the Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (see "Certification" below).
- ☐ the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) (see "Fees" below).
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#### Copies Of The References

- ☒ Copies of the references (other than cited U.S. Patents and published U.S. Patent Applications) listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 are enclosed herewith. Attached to each reference not in the English language is a concise explanation of the relevance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3).
- ☐ A copy of the foreign search report is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ The references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 were previously identified in the parent application(s) of the present application, and copies of the references were furnished at that time. Accordingly, additional copies of the references are not submitted herewith, so as not to burden the file with duplicate copies of references. The Examiner is respectfully requested to carefully review the references in accordance with the requirements set out in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the details of the parent application(s) relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120 in which copies of the references were previously furnished are set out below:

U.S. Serial No. 10/801,977  
Attorney Docket: 45039-0028

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### Other Applications

- ☐ The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. patent application(s) (submitted herewith is a copy of each application specification including the claims, and any drawing of the application, or that portion of each application which caused it to be listed including any claims directed to that portion):

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**Petition**

- ☐ The undersigned attorney hereby petitions the Commissioner to consider this Information Disclosure Statement and the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 in the examination of the above-identified patent application.

**Fees**

- ☒ No fee is owed by the applicant(s).
- ☐ Fee enclosed.

**Authorization To Charge Additional Fees**

- ☒ If any additional fees are owed in connection with this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1061.

Respectfully submitted,

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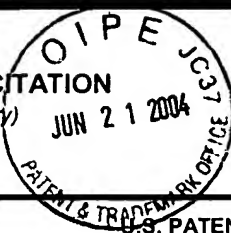
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	5,303,952	4/1994	Shermetaro et al.			
	5,331,124	7/1994	Danielson			
	5,380,037	1/1995	Worrell et al.			
	5,410,114	4/1995	Furuie et al.			
	5,459,294	10/1995	Danielson			
	5,508,481	4/1996	Williams et al.			
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	5,624,130	4/1997	Ricks			
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	2001-26249	1/2001	Japan				✓

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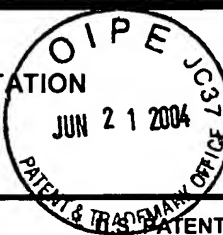

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	5,087,069	2/1992	Corbett et al.			
	6,029,992	2/2000	Vendely et al.			
	6,082,758	7/2000	Schenck			
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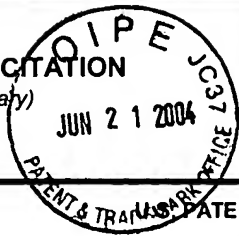
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	2001/0011815 A1	8/2001	Ikeda et al.			
	2001/0054810 A1	12/2001	Sakane et al.			
	2002/0043786 A1	4/2002	Schutz			
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	2002/0074781 A1	6/2002	Schutz et al.			
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